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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S FAREWELL MESSAGE TO KING KHALID

1. PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY KISSINGER TO KING KHALID. QTE: YOUR MAJESTY: ALTHOUGH I WILL SOON RELINQUISH MY OFFICIAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE CONDUCT OF OUR NATION'S FOREIGN RELATIONS, I WANT YOUR MAJESTY TO KNOW THAT THIS WILL IN NO SENSE END MY PERSONAL INTEREST IN THE KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA AND IN THE AFFAIRS OF YOUR REGION, OVER WHICH OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS HAVE CONSULTED ON SO MANY OCCASIONS. I HAVE CONFERRED WITH MY SUCCESSOR, MR. VANCE, AND CAN ASSURE YOUR MAJESTY OF THE CONTINUED DETERMINATION OF THE UNITED STATES TO WORK TOWARD A JUST AND LASTING PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST. I CAN ALSO ASSURE YOU OF THE CONTINUED UNDERSTANDING IN MY COUNTRY OF

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THE IMPORTANCE OF CLOSE AND FRIENDLY RELATIONS WITH THE KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA.

I HAVE VALUED HIGHLY MY DISCUSSIONS WITH YOUR MAJESTY AND WITH THE MEMBERS OF YOUR MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT. WE HAVE BENEFITED GREATLY FROM YOUR MAJESTY'S UNDERSTANDING OF THE ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL FORCES AT WORK IN THE WORLD TODAY,

AND FROM THE WISE LEADERSHIP WHICH YOU HAVE DEMONSTRATED  
ON SO MANY OCCASIONS. I WISH YOU GOOD HEALTH AND HAPPINESS

AND PRAY THAT GOD WILL GRANT YOU LONG LIFE AND CONTINUED  
SUCCESS IN ALL ENDEAVORS. SINCERELY, HENRY A. KISSINGER  
UNQTE.  
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